

MINUTES
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, February 16, 2023

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: Room EW41

MEMBERS: Chairman Yamamoto, Vice Chairman McCann, Representatives Boyle, Clow, Mendive, Ehardt, Wisniewski, Garner, Hawkins, Hill, Lanting, Nelsen, Price, Sauter, Berch, Galaviz, Mathias

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** None

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chair Yamamoto called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Lex Godfrey, Legislative Liaison, Career Technical Educators of Idaho, introduced visiting educators.

Aimee Hurst, President, Idaho School Counselor Association, spoke about the student services provided by school counselors. She said school counselors are highly educated, professionally certified individuals who help students succeed in school and plan their career. She said social and emotional learning provides students with tools to help themselves. She spoke about providing an atmosphere of trust and confidence.

Marilyn Whitney, Executive Director, IDEal, spoke about the 529 Idaho College Savings Program. She said the purpose of this program is to help families save money for college. She spoke about a new employer program which helps employees save for education.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:04 am.

Representative Yamamoto
Chair

Amy Bengtzen
Secretary